

Appln. No. 09/741,542
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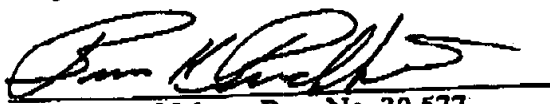
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

These remarks are made in response to the Office Communication of October 18, 2004 (Office Action). As this response is timely filed within the 1-month shortened statutory period, no fee is believed due.

Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the opportunity to submit the corrected section of Applicants' previous response. Applicants also invite the Examiner to call the undersigned if it is believed that a telephonic interview would expedite the prosecution of the above-identified application to an allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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